THE BI-MONTHLY

Newsletter of the Bisexual Center

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National Women's Conference

The Bi Center will be an active part of the National Women's Conference in Houston, November 18 to 21. We will have our own exhibit booth at the Houston Civic Center during the entire conference. We will also hold a press conference to voice our strong support for bisexual and gay rights, particularly in the area of child custody, housing, teaching positions and other work situations. Additionally, we will express our support for the Equal Rights Amendment, child care rights and abortion rights.

Approximately 20,000 people are expected to attend this conference which will make it the largest meeting of women in this country ever to be funded by the U.S. Government.

The stated goals of the state meetings and the National Women's Conference are as follows:

"to recognize the contributions of women to the development of our country;

to assess the progress that has been made in promoting equality between women and men in all aspects of life in the United States;

to study the role of women in economic, social, cultural and political development;

to assess the participation of women in efforts aimed at the development of friendly relations and cooperation among nations and to strengthen world peace;

to identify barriers that prevent women from participating fully and equally in all aspects of national life, and to develop recommendations for means by which such barriers can be removed;

to establish timetables for the achievement of the objectives set forth in such recommendations;

to provide a forum for all women to join in the celebration of their past efforts and to make plans for the future."

Each state and territory held pre-conference meetings to vote on resolutions and delegates for the conference as well as to draw up state plans of action to improve the status of women at the state level. Recommendations and a final report on the conference will be submitted to the President and Congress in March, 1978.

This will be a very important conference dealing with issues vital to the bi community. Many religious groups and politically reactionary forces want to crush any chance for the success of the Equal Rights Amendment, bi and gay rights, child care rights and abortion rights.

We encourage bi women and men to make the trip to Houston with us to fight for our rights. Please call Harriet Leve at the Bi Center, 982-1858, if you are interested in attending the National Women's Conference.

Harriet Leve

Office Grand Opening

More than 100 people attended the opening of the Bi-Center's new office on the third floor of the historic Flatiron Building in downtown San Francisco. Old and new friends and supporters of the Center shared wine, soft drinks, snacks, ideas and experiences, and their hopes and expectations for the Center's future. Children played hide-and-seek around the knees of adults, and a surprise visit by friendly camerapersons from KPIX resulted in a brief spot on the 11 o'clock news that evening.

Although the downtown location makes it difficult sometimes to find parking, the Center is close to the Trans-Bay bus terminal and right next to BART stations (Montgomery station: Montgomery-Sansome exit).

The new office consists of a "mini-office" for a desk and cabinet, and a long, narrow (12'x30') room which ends in a big window that lets in the sunlight by day and the orange glow of Market Street lights by night. Our hard-working volunteers got the office ready for the party, and some people have come forward to help staff the office during the week, but still we need volunteers and supplies. At present, we have a desk and some other furniture (on loan from a member) and some houseplants, and we need pillows (especially !), a file cabinet, a cupboard, coat-rack, and other office supplies. If you can help out, or can provide some spare furniture or money donations (all gratefully accepted !), please call us at 982-1858 or write the Center at 544 Market St.,Suite 305, San Francisco,CA.

note:

NEXT GENERAL MEETING
Sun., Nov. 20 7-10 p.m.
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General Meeting

The September general meeting was held on September 25th at 7:00 P.M. After welcoming everyone to the new office, David Lourea listed the current office hours, Monday, Wednesday, and Friday from 3 P.M. to 6 P.M., and mentioned some contributions the center needs such as pillows and reading material on bisexual or other related issues.

Next Harriet Leve reported that our membership is still growing. At the time of the meeting we had 498 members.

We discussed the need for childcare at Bi-Center meetings and functions. Marcia Roseman volunteered to co-ordinate a program for future events. (See the help needed column to find out how you can help).

Some suggested uses for the office space were: (1) open the office at lunch time so people in or around the financial district can drop in to eat their lunch and visit; (2) have men only and women only rap groups in addition to our mixed groups; (3) sponsor discussions on Bi and related social and/or political issues; (4) rent the office space to other groups when this doesn't conflict with Bi-Center activities.

After a break, two groups formed. One moved to the small office for a consciousness raising discussion. The other discussed future social events and ways to increase membership.

The next general meeting will be held November 20, at 7:00 P.M.

PORTRAIT OF ANDROGYNY

Androgyny has been researched, defined, debated, re-defined and still misunderstood. However, little energy has been devoted to capturing it graphically, until now.

Opening November 18th and 19th and running until December 22nd is a two-person show at Variations On An On, an alternative gallery in Noe Valley.

Catherine Wallis, the artist, and Ed Sakir, the Photographer, have combined their insights and talents to present androgyny as something which anyone can identify with.

Opens November 18th and 19th, 8-11 p.m. at 4399 25th street, San Francisco; thereafter 8-11 p.m. Tuesday, Friday, and Sunday. For more information call: 285-9626.

Hogie's New Book

Hogie Wyckoff's new book, Solving Women's Problems, has just been published by Grove Press. This book is a feminist self-help guide to women's problem-solving. It describes how women in groups can learn to develop and share the skills for doing psychiatry for themselves and each other, using the principles of Radical Psychiatry and applying newly evolving techniques. There is a section on bisexual advocacy.

Hogie has been leading and teaching Radical Psychiatry women's problem-solving groups in Berkeley for seven years. She is a member of the Bay Area Radical Therapy Collective as well as the collective which publishes the quarterly journal Issues in Radical Therapy. Hogie is also the editor of Love Therapy and Politics and co-author with Claude Steiner of Scripts People Live and Readings in Radical Psychiatry.

Solving Women's Problems is available at bookstores, or can be ordered directly by sending $4 to: Hogie Wyckoff, P.O. Box 5265, Berkeley, CA 94705.

Magnus Hirschfeld

More than eighty years ago, Magnus Hirschfeld (1868-1935) began campaigning for the equal rights of homosexuals. He was the founder and guiding light of the first gay liberation organization in history. Known as the Scientific Humanitarian Committee, it existed for thirty-five years until the Nazis came to power and tried to destroy all evidence of its existence. Dr. Hirschfeld was considered, by some, to be the "Einstein of Sex" because he believed in the theory that sex endowments and impulses in the individual were "relative", and that there was no strict demarcation between the sexes, mentally or physically.

"Beneath the duality of sex there is oneness," he said. "Every female is potentially a male and every male potentially a female. If a man wants to understand a woman, he must discover the woman in himself, and if a woman would understand a man, she must dig in her own consciousness to discover her own masculine traits."

Help Needed

In the little over one year that we have existed, we have gone beyond any of our hopes and dreams. We have well over 500 members now. While our membership and our activities have mushroomed, the size of the working committee has shrunk. That means there have been fewer and fewer people making the events happen that, hopefully, you've enjoyed and taken pride in this past year. I know that we all work, go to school, and have prior, important commitments; but a community such as ours will thrive and grow or divide and die based on the amount of energy people have to put into that community.

When I look back over our accomplishments this past year and think of the newsletters, pot lucks, rap groups, panel discussions, general meetings, the Valentine Dance, the Gay Pride Parade, the press conference with Ben Spock, and now our own office, I see the faces and feel the support of all these people who made it happen. We are an all-volunteer organization. If we are to have a second year as excellent as our first we must have your support.

CHILD CARE

There is space for childcare during functions at our new office. Marcia Roseman wants to coordinate a childcare program; however, she needs help from volunteers who will spend some of their time with the children. If you can help and/or have ideas for the program, call her at 548-7658.

All members can help by saving and donating craft supplies such as glue or paste, crayons, string, yarn, cloth, paper, colored papers (including old gift wrap), egg cartons, plastic trays from packages of meat, or other safe objects that can be used for quiet creative play. Please bring these with you when you come to the Bi-Center.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE

Bruce Cowan is the Social Committee co-ordinator. He needs help from responsible people who will take charge of individual events (a pot luck, hot tub party, etc.). At each event one person must be present for the entire event, be in charge of set up and clean up, and be responsible for money collected if there is a fee. Other volunteers can assist during the evening by collecting money, and helping with set up and clean up.

The Social Committee will meet Monday, November 14, at 6.00 p.m. at the Bi-Center. Bring food to share.

personal close-ups

Working Committee

I'm Margaret Ann Cockrell. I was born in Oakland where I grew up. In 1969 I moved to San Francisco.

I'm a student in the professional art department at the City College of San Francisco; I hope to work as a graphic designer. The newsletter committee is my favorite committee. When I help put the "Bi Monthly" together, I can use my design training to spread information on bisexuality and related issues.

I discovered the Bi-Center in January. Since I'm just coming out, I appreciate the support and validation the the Center provides.

NEWSLETTER

The newsletter committee needs volunteers:

1) typists who can come to the Bi-Center on either layout or paste-up day to type articles for the newsletter.

2) people who can come to the office on paste-up day to put the newsletter together. We will gladly teach inexperienced volunteers how to do the paste-ups.

3) people who can get information about community activities sponsored by other organizations such as Berkeley Women's Center and Pacific Center before layout day.

4) a coordinator and people to help with the mailing of the newsletter. This job only takes two hours bimonthly. The volunteers must staple the newsletters, attach labels, put stamps on out-of-town letters, and prepare San Francisco letters for bulk mailing. The co-ordinator is responsible for delivering the newsletters to the post office.

The newsletter needs articles, creative writings, graphics (black and white, no half-tones), and short items or quotes that relate to bisexuality.

The newsletter committee will meet on December 1, at 7:30 p.m. at the Bi-Center, 544 Market St., #305. Please be prompt because the building is usually locked in the evening.

Attacks from the Right

As you may know, State Senator John Briggs is currently spearheading a campaign to put a ballot proposition before the voters of California this June. The Briggs Initiative, if enacted, would require school boards to "refuse to hire as an employee any person who has engaged in public homosexual activity or public homosexual conduct. "Public homosexual conduct" is defined as "the advocating, soliciting, imposing, encouraging, or promoting of private or public homosexual activity directed at, or likely to come to the attention of school children and/or other employees." What this means is that any "teacher, teacher's aid, school administrator, or counselor" (bi,gay,or straight) who advocates equal rights for bis/gays can be fired. Governor Brown would not be allowed to teach in any California public school because of his Consenting Adults Law.

This is a clear violation of our freedom of speech and a threat to the civil liberties of all Americans. The Briggs Initiative is only part of the New Right's attempt to drive bi and gay people back into the closet and to reverse the gains made by the gay movement as well as the Black, Latino, Women's, Native American, and labor movements. It goes hand in hand with the Hyde Amendment, which denies women on welfare the right to abortion; with the stricter pornography laws; and with the movement to block the passage of the E.R.A.

To kick off the campaign against this initiative there has been a call for speak-outs throughout California during the first week in December, which is when Briggs is expected to have enough signatures to turn in his petition to qualify the initiative for the June elections. The purpose of these speak-outs is to demonstrate visible support for bi and gay teachers and for the rights of all of us. It will serve as a statewide focus for the beginning of a campaign to educate the public about the issues raised by the Briggs Initiative.

BACABI -Bay Area Committee Against the Briggs Initiative (ba-ka-bee) will hold a press conference during the week prior to the first speak-out. BACABI plans to place a full-page ad in the San Francisco Chronicle and Examiner announcing the speak-outs.

The Briggs Initiative is a direct attack on the bi/gay community and everything we have accomplished this past year. It is nothing less than the McCarthyism of the '70's. On Wednesday, November 9 from 7 to 10 pm. we will hold a meeting at the Bi Center (544 Market St) to decide the kind of action we should take and how we can add our strength to BACABI. I strongly urge as many members as possible to attend that meeting. We must take a strong stand on this issue.

If, in fact, our children do need saving, it is not from bi/gay teachers, bi/gay sexuality, or a bi/gay lifestyle, but rather from the kind of ignorance, hate, intolerance, and bigotry Senator Briggs is hanging his gubernatorial hopes on.

For further information, get in touch with David Lourea, 626-9661 or Mission United Presbyterian Church, 922-2837 or 431-1522.

David Lourea

POETRY

LOVER'S DREAM

Let your warm and tender body
caress mine,
and our legs and arms entwine.

Let our moist, warm, silken tongues
slide to and fro,
where the places to find bliss
only we know.

Send your love vibes
through my soul,
with your legs above me
and your palms below.

Rev. Henry J. Solorzano
Excerpted from More Poems

We would gladly welcome more poetry relating to bisexuality or androgyny. Should you have original work or know of other people who do and are willing to have it appear here, please contact the Bi-Center at 982-1858.

A BISEXUAL PERSPECTIVE ON ANDROGYNY

by Maggi Rubenstein

People often ask how bisexuality and androgyny relate and how they are different. Margaret Mead has found that most people are bisexual in their capacity to love and also has indicated that people yearn to be role-free. Sandra Bem discovered in her research that not only is there much more bisexuality than the statistics indicate, but also that androgynous behaviour within oneself is a sign of better mental health and is sought after by more persons than has been measured.. She finds that sexual and social stereotypes tend to restrict and repress one's emotional options and that the person, whether bisexual, heterosexual or homosexual, who tends to consider her/himself androgynous, tends to be more flexible, more adaptive and experiences life more fully. In adulthood the healthiest person can cope with all things, is self-reliant, yet concerned for others.

Androgyny is psychologically based, referring to a specific way of joining the "masculine" and "feminine" aspects of a single human being, wherein one can be independent, tough and assertive as well as tender, nurturing and sensitive, regardless of sexual identity or gender. Perhaps we are all born with the potential to be bisexual, i.e. experiencing sexual attraction for both women and men, and androgynous, i.e. experiencing psychologically the best attributes of so-called femininity and masculinity. Put another way, a person of either sex can respond emotionally and perform tasks based on what is appropriate to her/him at the time, rather than feeling or responding with behaviour that is "womanly" or"manly". Androgyny, as defined by June Singer, is an intrapsychic flowing and interplay within oneself, the yin/yang we all possess. Bisexuality, as defined by Singer, is an interpersonal reaching out to both sexes in fantasy and activity. They are different,yet she sees one as being a channel to the other, a possible option for all interested persons.

When Carl Jung described the "anima" or woman in every man, and the "animus" or man in every woman, he perceived these as unconscious qualities. Singer, however, as a Neo-Jungian and as a feminist, sees that making conscious these submerged parts of ourselves is important for our inner wholeness and our outward relation to the world. A woman communicates and understands men through her animus; a man perceives women through his anima and if these are underdeveloped one's perceptions will be distorted. An example of this is the sexist man who puts women down and also is comfortable only with traditional "male" tasks and feelings. Another is the "feminine" woman who puts herself down to men and is only at ease with traditional "female" tasks.

Children are taught very early in life how to be heterosexual and either masculine or feminine by adults around them. The education they get, in schools, on television, and from role models reinforces that women "should" be both heterosexual and feminine, that men "should" be heterosexual and masculine, and that any shift away from that posture will not be tolerated. The tragedy of sex-role scripting is that it prevents children, adolescents and adults from making choices, having options, whether in sexual expressiveness or in general social behaviour and emotional flexibility.

The important message as androgyny, as well as bisexuality, is explored,is that we are still learning about human sexual and social potential behaviour and relationships. Coupling will endure, as will singleness. Bisexuality, Heterosexuality, and Homosexuality as sexual identities will persist hopefully with acceptance for all life styles without oppression. The labels may eventually be transcended.

Wherever one's sexual preferences lie, evidence from many social sources, in research, in practical day-to-day living, in lifestyles and human relatedness, shows that the more comfortable all humans can be in both traditional and cross-sex feelings and tasks, the more we can get beyond sex-role scripting, the more spontaneous, open and real we are, the healthier we will be within ourselves and toward others. As Sandra Bem says, "Behaviour should have no gender."

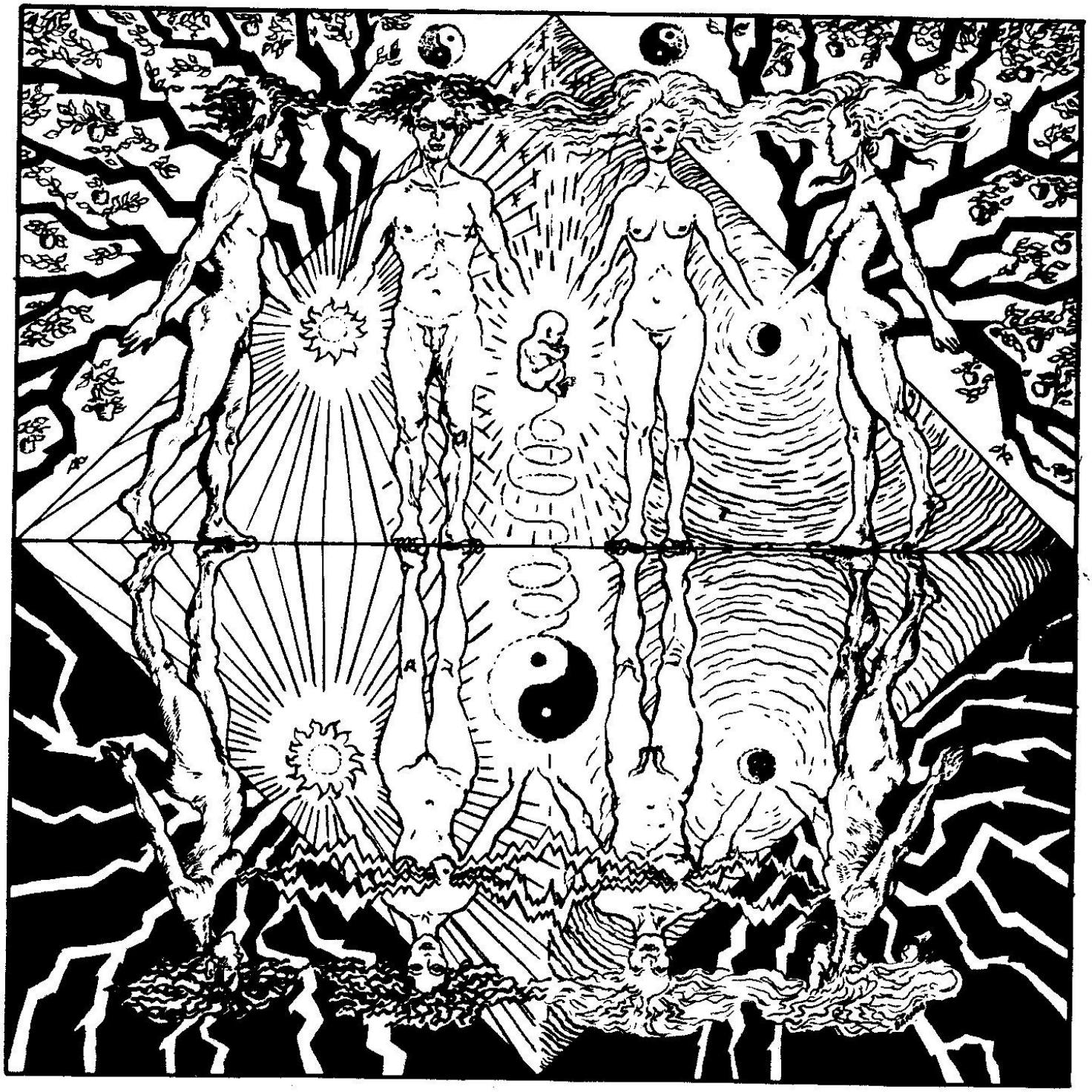


Illustration by Jim Barnes

Massage Workshops

Two massage workshops for women and men will be held in a pleasant Oakland neighborhood Sunday, November 20th, and Saturday, December 10th, led by Paul Thiel, a Bi-Center member. He has taught Esalen-style massage workshops for several years and teaches a sensuous gentle massage.

Workshops will be at the Towne House, 412 Monte Vista Avenue from 11:30 A.M. to 5:30 P.M. It is easy to reach, not far by freeway from the Bay Bridge. Take interstate 580 to Harrison St./ Oakland Ave. exit, turn left onto Oakland Ave. at stop sign. Go six blocks to Monte Vista, turn left. The Towne House is the second building on the right. Please be prompt.

He must limit each workshop to sixteen persons. The fee is $10 for members of the Bi-Center and $13 for non-members. A light lunch will be included. Please call Paul at 655-0221 for further information or to reserve a place. (leave message.)

Hot Tub Party

The Bi-Center is having a party on Saturday, November 12. It will be at the Tursiops, a rustic houseboat in Sausalito, with a large sundeck and outdoor hot tub. The party will start at 3 pm and go until 10 pm; swimsuits optional; please bring a towel and food/liquids to share. Cost is $3 for Bi-Center members and $5 for non-members.

Directions: Take 101 North to Marin City-Sausalito Exit. On Bridgeway, go one block towards Sausalito to the abandoned Mohawk gas station; turn left and park near pier, and go out pier to end to houseboat named "Tursiops".

Early Eve Party

On Friday, December 2, the Bi-Center will have a early eve party from 6 - 8 pm. at the Bi-Center, 544 Market St.,#305. Wine punch, fruit juices, and various hors d'oeuvres will be served. Cost is $1.50 for members of the Bi-Center and $2.50 for non-members.

Games Night

The Bi-Center will have a Games Night on Monday, November 21 and December 12, both starting at 7 pm. at the Bi-Center. Bring a game to share (Scrabble, Monopoly, bridge, or What's Your Game ?). Bring snack food to share: liquids, fruit, cheese, crackers, etc.

POTLUCKS

The Bi-Center will have a potluck on Saturday, November 19, 7 - 11 pm. at the Towne House, 412 Monte Vista in Oakland. Please bring food and liquids to share. There is parking in the rear of the building; children are welcome. $1.50 members/ $2.50 non-members.

There will also be a potluck in San Francisco at 1057 Steiner on Sunday, December 11, 7 - 11 pm. This is a large old house with a hot tub available for our use. $2.00 members/$3.00 non-members.

Hello, I Love You!

There will be a holiday presentation and book signing party at the Bisexual Center on Sunday, December 18, 7:00 p.m.

Jeanne pasle-green will introduce and talk about her book, Hello, I Love You! A $1.00 or $1.50 donation is asked. Books and memberships will be available.

Hello, I Love You!, the controversial book published first in Paris and now by Times Charge Press, will be reviewed by Lee Olivier for the next Bi-Monthly.

HIKING TRIPS

There will be two hikes in the next two months. On Sunday, November 6, there will be a hike along the Golden Gate Promenade, one of the Bay Area's most exhilirating walks. Meet at the beach at Aquatic Park at 10 am. Bring food and liquids to share. Cancelled if raining.

By bus: Take #19 (Polk St) to end and walk to Aquatic Park.

By car: Park in parking lot at north end of Van Ness.

The second hike will be on Sunday, December 4, starting at 10:45 am on Mt. Tamalpais. This will be a loop hike from Pan Toll to the Mountain Theater, West Point Inn and Mt. Tamalpais (East Peak). Please wear sturdy comfortable shoes/boots. Bring food and liquids to share. Cancelled if raining.

By bus: Take the 320 Golden Gate Transit to Marin City and transfer to #63 (10:15 am) to Pan Toll. Fare: $1.25

By car: Take #101 North, exit at Highway #1 (Stinson Beach), drive to Panoramic Highway junction and turn right, drive to and park at Boot jack (no fee parking lot). Walk 300 yards up road to Pan Toll by 10:45 am.

For information on either hike call Bruce Cowan at 626-3131 and leave message.

A Concert for Human Rights

I was one of over 17,000 people who experienced the "Star Spangled Night for Rights" concert at the Hollywood Bowl on September 18,1977. I use the word experience as this is the only way to describe the joy,excitement, shock and disbelief of participating at that event, a benefit for the San Francisco-based Save Our Human Rights Foundation, Inc. (SOHR), a non-profit national organization to educate the public and combat the Anita Bryant campaign and the recent Senator Briggs initiative.

While it was over a month ago, I can still recall many of my feelings. Just being there, a part of a mass celebration for human rights, was quite a charge. The show opened with a full-piece symphony orchestra playing the national anthem, rarely heard at such concerts. Not only did the audience enthusiastically show their approval, but we ALL SANG (not even at sports events does this happen anymore!!).

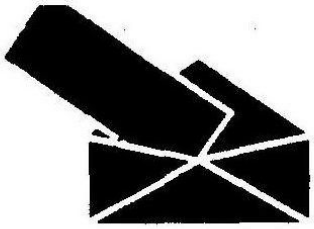
Lily Tomlin gave us a stunning performance, and the audience loved every line. Quite a variety of Hollywood acts followed and the evening grew longer. Then came Richard Pryor, who managed in a little over ten minutes to turn the concert into tarnished chaos, by his unduly negative and extremely crude remarks about the women's movement, homosexuality, the white Hollywood extablishment, and Black civil rights. Most of the audience booed him off stage, while some sat in stunned silence. A very small handful cheered. Not even Bette Midler, so beloved by many in the audience, could regain the confidence and implicit trust of a concert audience.

When the concert was finally over, most people seemed subdued, due to Richard Pryor's fiasco. About the only comments in my SF charter flight group on the concert were in reference to those remarks. There appeared to be a consensus that at least SOHR had raised some funds for the cause. We all hoped that the concert and the campaign would receive good press by the mass media.

For those of you who might wish to find out more about the fight, the Save Our Human Rights office is located at 461a Castro Street in San Francisco and can be reached at 621-0536.

Wally Ropchan

We get letters



San Francisco

A few days ago at the recent medical convention in San Francisco, I left my Identification tag home so I went to the desk to get another one. I showed the woman my receipt. She typed M.D. after my name. I told her that I was not an M.D., that I was a student. She typed another tag and asked me what was my major, I said biology. Under my name she typed BI.

While roaming through the exhibits I wandered into one that was testing perception. I asked what they were testing? The young lady answered "how doctors perceive ads, but you can't take it because you are not a doctor."

The other woman curiously asked "what does BI stand for?" Should I have answered Bisexual or Biology?

Here is a suggestion that might promote the objectives of the members of The Bisexual Center. Work out an arrangement with a San Francisco restaurant for a bisexual room or table. To begin with, just a luncheon table for people to enjoy on a drop-in basis. I belonged to a group at one time that had such an arrangement. There was one large table in the corner of the room that was reserved for members of my group. It wasn't publicized but members were aware of its existence. They joined each other on an informal basis, each member ordering and paying for himself and staying as long as he liked. The rest of the people in the restaurant had no reason to know or care that the people seated at the special table belonged to a particular group or organization. It would be super nice if one of our members owned a restaurant suitable to carry out this idea.

I am a new member and look forward to participation in the activities of The Bisexual Center.

With best regards,
R.W.

Community Bulletin Board

The Bi-Center will have a women's ongoing weekly bisexual support group beginning Wednesday evening, November 16 from 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. at our own office, 544 Market Street, Room 305, San Francisco. This group will be facilitated by Nikki Blue and Polly. If you have any questions, call Nikki at 665-8090.

free rap groups

The Pacific Center in Berkeley, 2329 San Pablo Ave., 841-6224 or toll-free from some parts of SF, 444-5555, has a bi-rap support group for women only every Thursday at 7:30 P.M.; a married gay men's drop-in rap group for gay men in heterosexual marriage every Wednesday at 7:30 P.M.; and a wives' support group for women married to gay/bisexual men is held every first and third Wednesday at 7:30 PM.

Please contact the Pacific Center for further details.

For women only. Barbara Lynn Raboy, who played guitar and sang at our opening, will be appearing at Artemis Society Coffee House (Valencia & 23rd streets, San Francisco,) on Wednesday evening, November 9th at 8:30 P.M. She performs her original compositions and jazz tunes.

Breakaway will be sponsoring a women's ongoing bisexual group. Call Linda Lama at 849-2091 for more information.

The Berkeley Women's Center will have an open bi-rap for women only at 7:30 P.M. on Wednesday, November 2, 1977.

The bisexual women's rap group of the Berkeley Women's Center will have a Thanksgiving potluck on Thursday afternoon November 24. Call Loren at 658-3685 for details.

The Bisexual Center recently established an open bisexual rap group for men and women which meets weekly on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. At the October 4th session, there were three women (including the facilitator, Joan Israel) and ten men present. During this session the group discussed possible reasons for the lack of participation by women.

After considering several social, political and emotional reasons, the group determined that the needs of bisexual women were obviously not being met in a mixed group. It was suggested that an article in the Bi-Monthly addressing this issue might elicit some response and suggestions from bisexual women. Your suggestions and experiences could assist the Center in providing bisexual group communication that would be appropriate and rewarding for all participants.

If you are interested in having your views and needs considered, please contact the Bi-Center and leave your name and number. Phone 982-1858. Someone will return your call.

I am a new Sonoma County resident and would like to convene a rap group in Sonoma. I've led rap groups for years with Hayward Women's Center and with the Bi-Center. I would like to provide a place to talk about ourselves, our sexuality, and particular issues relating to being a bisexual parent. If you are interested in forming such a support system with me, call or write Pat Lytle, 785 Verano Ave., Sonoma, Ca., 95476, (707) 996-7661.

BI•MONTHLY CALENDAR 1977

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20 massage workshops Bi-Ctr Gen'l Meeting	21 ☆ Games Nite ☆ ☆	22	23	24 ♀ Bi Rap POT LUCK Berk ♀ Ctr	25	26
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DECEMBER

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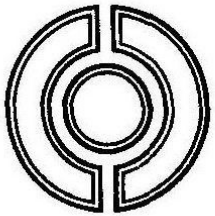

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